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## This Week in Wabash

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Hello, Wabash,

Happy Monday. I hope your week is off to a great start. I also hope you remembered to honor the mothers in your lives on Mother's Day. The weather is absolutely at my favorite spot throughout the year. It's not too hot and not too cold. The allergies are the only thing that gets to me.

This week I wanted to draw your attention to the profile that was in Saturday's paper about Grammy-nominated duo Black Violin. They performed on Saturday at the Honeywell Center and [I hope you had a chance to check out the story.](#)



I was particularly interested in this interview because my children have been studying string instruments lately. The two oldest ones are learning to play piano

and they're looking to other instruments as well. Wil B., one half of the group, gave me an interesting answer when I asked about his advice for young artists.

At my house, we listened to Black Violin a fair amount recently before this interview became a possibility. The group is a very interesting mixture of hip-hop and classical music that breaks down barriers between the two seemingly disparate genres. Listening to them makes me think of what I say when anyone asks me what kind of music I listen to. I don't have a ready answer. I listen to anything good. Genres are an artificial construct and I don't define my tastes by these labels. I think the world is a better place when we shed these fake monikers.

Speaking of acts that have performed recently at the Honeywell Center, I also had a chance to interview legendary radio host and storyteller Garrison Keillor before his performance on Friday. Unfortunately, I didn't have a chance to talk with him in time to get the story in the paper before the show, but I am planning on including a story about our interview in Wednesday's paper. I hope you'll check it out.

Well, that's all I have for you today. I hope you have a great rest of your week.

Best,  
Rob



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